

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-8 as follows.

1. (Amended) A window frame (1) for a motor-vehicle door fitted with a window lift, [in particular a bowden-cable window lift (7)] which comprises drive catches (10) guided in a pair of guide tracks (6) to adjust [the] a height of [the] a window pane (3), the window frame (1) being insertable into a hollow door with window lodging, being connectable to the hollow door and consisting of a unilaterally open seat[, guide or support,] for the window pane (3), composed of two cross-elements (13) and one longitudinal element (14), wherein

[characterized in that]

the pair of guide tracks (6) each are affixed to [one free segment] free segments (5) of the cross-elements (13), where said free segments can be inserted into the window lodging, and in that the drive catches (10) are connected to the window pane (3) received in the window frame (1).

2. (Amended) Window frame as claimed in claim 1, [characterized in that] further comprising a bowden cable (9) for said window lift, wherein reversing elements (8) for the bowden cable (9) are affixed to [the] free end segments of the guide tracks (6).

3. (Amended) Window frame as claimed in claim 2, [characterized in that] wherein the bowden cable is guided in an 8-loop around the reversing elements (8) and is connected to the drive catches (10) that are connected to the window pane (3).

4. (Amended) Window frame as claimed in [one of the above claims, characterized in that] claim 1, wherein the pane guide is integrated into cross-elements (13) and optionally into the longitudinal element (14).

5. (Amended) Window frame as claimed in [one of the above claims, characterized in that the] claim 1, wherein shaped seals for the window pane (3) are integrated into the window frame (1).

6. (Amended) Window frame as claimed in [one of the above claims, characterized in that the] claim 1, wherein an adapter (4) for supporting a side-view mirror is part of the window frame (1) and in particular is integral with this window frame (1).

7. (Amended) Window frame as claimed in [one of the above claims, characterized in that the] claim 1, wherein an electric drive (11) can be drivingly connected to [the] a cable drum housing (12), whereby a bowden cable (9) is guided in said cable drum housing (12).

8. (Amended) A method to mount a window frame (1) as defined in [one of the above claims] claim 7 on a hollow door with a window lodging, comprising the steps of:

[characterized in that]

inserting the window frame (1) [is inserted] into the window lodging [and is connected]
connecting the window frame (1) to the hollow door [for instance] by [screw] fasteners'
connecting said [and in that thereupon an] electric drive (11) [is connected] to the cable drum
housing (12); and

affixing the electric drive (11) [is affixed] to the hollow door[, in particular to a door inner
sheetmetal].

Please add new claims 9-17 as follows.

9. A window frame for a motor-vehicle door fitted with a window lift, comprising:
a window pane;
a window frame having a pair of generally vertical cross elements and a longitudinal element
extending between said pair of cross elements;
a guide track affixed to each of said cross elements;
at least one drive catch slidingly received in said guide track, said drive catch being connected
to said window pane to adjust a height of the window pane; and
a drive mechanism driving each said drive catch to thereby adjust said height of said window
pane.

10. The window frame of claim 9, wherein each said guide track is affixed to a free end of said cross elements, wherein said free ends are received in a window lodging provide in a vehicle door.

11. The window frame of claim 10, wherein said drive mechanism comprises a bowden cable and wherein reversing elements for the bowden cable are affixed to free end segments of the guide track.

12. The window frame of claim 11, wherein the bowden cable is guided in a figure-8 around the reversing elements and is connected to the at least one drive catch that is connected to the window pane.

13. The window frame of claim 9, further comprising a window pane guide integrated into the cross-elements and the longitudinal element.

14. The window frame of claim 9, wherein shaped seals for the window pane are integrated into the window frame.

15. The window frame of claim 9, further comprising an adapter for supporting a side-view mirror provided on the window frame.

16. The window frame of claim 9, wherein said drive mechanism comprises an electric drive drivingly connected to a cable drum housing, whereby a bowden cable is guided in said the cable drum housing.

17. A method to mount a window frame on a hollow door with a window lodging, comprising the steps of:

forming a window frame comprising a window lift having drive catches guided in a pair of guide tracks to adjust a height of a window pane, said guide tracks being mounted to cross-elements, said window frame further comprising a longitudinal element extending between said cross-elements, wherein said drive catches engage a window pane and said drive catches are driven by a bowden cable;

inserting the window frame into a window lodging formed in said hollow door;

connecting the window frame to the hollow door by fasteners;

connecting an electric drive to a cable drum housing that guides said bowden cable; and

affixing the electric drive to the hollow door.

Remarks

The above amendment are intended to place this application in better condition for examination on the merits by placing the specification and claims in better conformance with U.S.